

# State Technical Committee

July 19, 2011

# EQIP 2011

Crop	\$1,749,772
Pasture	\$2,295,253
Confined Animal	\$5,802,306
N&B	\$256,293
Soc. Disadvantaged	\$544,260
Organic	\$421,958
Closure (Waste Impoundments)	\$478,429
CCPI	\$430,823
Ag Chemical Handling	\$145,139
High Tunnel	\$ 94,448
CAPs	\$ 10,917
Forestry	\$586,140
CIG	<u>\$282,055</u>
<b>Total obligated</b>	<b>\$13,104,284</b>

# WHIP 2011

## **WHIP Habitat Priority Areas –**

13 Priority Areas

51 contracts for ~\$220,000.

## **WHIP Long Leaf Pine -**

49 contracts for \$816,444.

15 different counties

# Review and Update Preparations for 2012 Program Year

EQIP and WHIP policy regarding the use of  
*Prescribed Burning (338)*

**Prescribed Burning (338) may be contracted up to two times on the same land unit in the same contract.**

# Review and Update

EQIP Policy as it pertains to New and Expanding Poultry Operations

**All applications from (confined) poultry operations will be deemed *Medium* priority if they are less than 3 years old.**

# New Policy for 2012

Use of the practice *Water Well (642)*

Current policy allows for the *well* to be contracted when:

- 1) The contract addresses a *water quality* resource concern due to livestock access to and degradation of the stream resource. (Plan livestock exclusion from water course.)
- 2) The contract addresses degraded *plant condition – undesirable plant productivity and health*. (Plan prescribed grazing and supporting practices. This may or may not include the water well.)

# New Policy for 2012

Proposed policy is to remove Prescribed Grazing (528) alone as justification for installing the *water well*. Only allow the *water well* to be used when livestock exclusion is planned to improve water quality. (Well is needed for water for the livestock)